

**Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 13, 2015**

The Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council met at the Indiana Judicial Center in the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center at 30 South Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana on October 13, 2015. The Advisory Council met 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- 1. Members present.** The following members of the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council were present: Larry Landis, Executive Director of the Indiana Public Defender Council; Chris Naylor, designee and proxy for the Executive Director of the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council; Terry Cook, designee and proxy for the Director of the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Julie Lanham, designee and proxy of the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Correction; David Murtaugh, Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Chris Cunningham, President of the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Linda Brady, President of the Probation Officer's Professional Association of Indiana; Jerry Harbstreit, President of the Indiana Sheriffs Association; and Jane Seigel, Executive Director of the Indiana Judicial Center and Council Chair.
- 2. Guests present.** The following guests also attended the meeting: Aaron Garner and Deb Braun from the Indiana Department of Correction; Dave Heath and Bill Watson from the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Christine Kerl from the Probation Officers Professional Association of Indiana; Bill Wilson from the Indiana Sheriffs Association; John Hill from the Office of Governor Pence; Hilary Alderete from the Indiana State Budget Agency; Sara Cozad and Stephanie Spoolstra from the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Steve McCaffrey from Mental Health America Indiana; Matthew Brooks from the Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers; Krista Rivera from the Indiana Senate; Marilyn Odendahl from The Indiana Lawyer; Kory George and Adam McQueen from Wayne County Probation; Cindy McCoy from Grant County Court Services; Nedra Brock Fleetwood and Scott Wedgwood from Lawrence County Probation; and Angie Krieger and Javier Zaragoza from Allen County Community Corrections.
- 3. Staff assistance.** Jennifer Bauer, Mary Kay Hudson, and Michelle Goodman provided staff assistance to the Advisory Council.
- 4. Approval of minutes.** The minutes from the September 25, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

5. **DOC Population Report.** Aaron Garner reported that the October population report was distributed to the Advisory Council members via email. He highlighted that the number of admissions was trending up and attributed this trend to a community corrections increase. He also stated that 1006 admissions are still moving slowly, with only 35% coming in to DOC for new 1006 crimes.
6. **DOC report on grant process.** Julie Lanham reported that DOC community corrections staff reviewed the 60 community supervision grant applications and made preliminary funding recommendations. Ms. Lanham distributed copies of the funding summary, the scoring matrix, the collaboration plan scoring sheet and grids with funding details. She stated the DOC welcomes feedback from the Council members. Deb Braun reported that DOC staff identified requests for supplanting, overtime/raises and office items as automatic disqualifiers. Each grant was graded, with a possible total score of 25 points. Ms. Braun stated that DOC recommends funding for 41 counties. Jane Seigel stated that her inclination is to give the Council members a few days to absorb the information related to the funding recommendations and then reconvene for a vote on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Stephanie Spoolstra stated that DMHA would review the applications for potential overlap with the Recovery Works voucher program. David Murtaugh made a motion to delay voting on the DOC recommendations until October 20<sup>th</sup> to give Council members an opportunity to review the information and send questions to DOC. Larry Landis seconded the motion. The Council unanimously approved the motion.
7. **Report from DMHA on Recovery Works status.** Sara Cozad reported that DMHA conducted a webinar on October 5<sup>th</sup> for criminal justice partners. She stated that the purpose of the webinar was to explain the Recovery Works voucher program, the funding priorities, and eligibility requirements. The webinar was limited to 100 participants and was recorded because interest was greater than capacity. Ms. Cozad also reported that DMHA is still targeting November 1<sup>st</sup> to begin the treatment voucher process. The online voucher system will not be ready until mid-December, so DMHA will manually process paper vouchers until January 1<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Cozad further reported that DMHA is creating a Recovery Works website and email account.
8. **Grant application subcommittee.** Jane Seigel reported that she has created a grant application subcommittee to review the grant process and suggest improvements to the FY 17 DOC grant application. Volunteers for the subcommittee are Linda Brady, Chris Cunningham, Sara Cozad, DOC staff and Judicial Center staff. Ms. Seigel asked for suggestions for revisions from all Council members.
9. **Other business.** Jane Seigel led a discussion on data collection and asked the members to consider how the Advisory Council can avoid duplicating data

collection efforts of the Evidence-Based Decision Making Initiative. David Murtaugh suggested starting with the EBDM data group and building on for the Advisory Council. Jane Seigel stated that she will schedule a meeting with the EBDM data group to discuss the approach to Advisory Council data reporting.

**10. Next meeting.** Jane Seigel announced that the Advisory Council will meet next on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. and November 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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